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1. THE THIRD COMMITTEE AT ITS FINAL SESSION APPROVED WITH-
OUT VOTE OR DEBATE THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY
AUSTRIA, BOLIVIA, GREECE, INDIA, KENYA, MALAYSIA, NEW
ZEALAND, NIGERIA, PHILIPPINES, PORTUGAL, UGANDA, AND
THE US ON CONSUMER PROTECTION:

QUOTE THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL,

RECALLING RESOLUTION 2111 (LXIII) ON CONSUMER PROTEC-
TION,

AWARE OF THE NEED FOR PROTECTION OF INDIVIDUAL CONSUM-
ERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, BUT NOTING THE WIDE DISPARITIES
IN THE SCOPE AND DEGREE OF CONSUMER PROTECTION IN DIFFERENT
COUNTRIES AND THE LACK OF ESSENTIAL LEGAL AND ADMINISTRA-
TIVE MEASURES IN MANY COUNTRIES TO PROVIDE SUCH PROTECTION,

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1. TAKES NOTE OF THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
ENTITLED "CONSUMER PROTECTION: A SURVEY OF INSTITUTIONAL
ARRANGEMENTS AND LEGAL MEASURES" (E/1978/81);

2. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO PREPARE, WITHIN
EXISTING RESOURCES, IN THE LIGHT OF INFORMATION ALREADY
PROVIDED AS WELL AS OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, AND BEARING

IN MIND THE DISCUSSION DURING THE PRESENT SESSION OF THE COUNCIL, AND TO SUBMIT TO THE COUNCIL AT ITS SECOND REGULAR SESSION IN 1979, A COMPREHENSIVE REPORT INCORPORATING OPTIONS FOR ACTION ON CONSUMER PROTECTION, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT IN PARTICULAR THE SPECIFIC PROBLEMS AND PRIORITIES OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AS WELL AS THE POSSIBLE MEANS FOR TECHNICAL COOOERATION AND ASSISTANCE IN THIS FIELD.

END QUOTE.

2. THE ABOVE TEXT WAS THE RESULT OF A SERIES OF INFORMAL MEETINGS AMONG THE CO-SPONSORS, CHAIRED BY PORTUGAL, WHICH INTRODUCED THE RESOLUTION. THE NGO REPRESENTATIVE OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF CONSUMERS UNIONS, DR DOROTHY WILNER, TOLD US SHE WAS QUITE SATISFIED WITH THE RESULTS.

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